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Note to USIA

The study concerned in your recent inquiry is "Sino-Soviet Bloc Propaganda Forgeries." The newspaper Blitz is not the sole subject of the study, but is discussed at length therein. The study is completed and is about to go to the printer, and we regret that there are no copies available for distribution at this time. As soon as it is in print it will be distributed within the intelligence community. Meanwhile, we are forwarding herewith thermofax copies of all pages in which Blitz is mentioned.

The sensitivity of some of the information used in "Sino-Soviet Bloc Propaganda Forgeries" necessitates a classification of SECRET/NOFORN, which of course applies to these excerpts as well. None of the material can be released for publication in the form and wording in which it is presented in the excerpts, and there are parts of it that can not be released in any form for publication. If USIA wishes to use any of this material for current release or for possible later publication it will therefore be necessary to coordinate the text of the proposed release with this Agency. If you will let us know which parts, if any, of the attached information you would like to use as overt material or under any classification lower than SECRET/NOFORN we will be very glad to go over those parts of the text and make whatever deletions or changes in wording may be necessary for this purpose.

As it happens, Blitz and any action concerning it are of urgent interest to the Cambodian desk in the State Department at this time, and if USIA is considering the release of information on the newspaper for publication or possible publication it is important that this step be cleared in advance with that desk.

Attachments: 1 (pages 27, 37-39,
41, 43-44, 50-57, 85-91 and
Annex 6 of "Sino-Soviet Bloc
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